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SUBJ: UNESCO DRAFT DECLARATION ON MASS MEDIA PRINCIPLES

REF: STATE 64358

1. EMBOFF MAR 17 DISCUSSED SUBJ DRAFT DECLARATION
AS INSTRUCTED REFTEL WITH PAUL STAUFFER, SWISS POLITICAL
DEPT UNESCO AFFAIRS OFFICER. STAUFFER SAID SWISS
FULLY AWARE OF ISSUE AND SHARE US VIEWS ON IMPORTANCE
MAINTAINING VIGILANT ATTITUDE ON PROGRESS OF NEW
DRAFT. SAID GOVT AND SWISS PRESS ARE CONCERNED ABOUT
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DELAY IN PRODUCING AUTHORITATIVE DRAFT TEXT. HE
NOTED EXPRESSION OF CONCERN AT RECENT INTL PRESS
INSTITUTE MEETING IN CANBERRA.

2. STAUFFER WAS CONCERNED DRAFT MIGHT BE WITHHELD
UNTIL JUST BEFORE OCT 1978 GENERAL CONFERENCE TO
KEEP OPPOSITION FROM UNIFYING IN ADVANCE. NOTED SOME

COUNTRIES SAY THERE IS NO VALID BASIS FOR DISCUSSION
ON ISSUE BECAUSE THERE IS NO AUTHORITATIVE TEXT. SAID
SWISS UNESCO DEL BELIEVES CONTENTS OF PRESENT DRAFT
ARE SUCH THAT RELEASE OF DRAFT MIGHT LEAD TO "MISGIVINGS"
ABOUT UNESCO AND CAPABILITY OF DG M'BOW.

3. STAUFFER SAID SWISS RECEIVED TWO VERSIONS OF DRAFT
FEW WEEKS AGO BUT STILL AWAITING AUTHORITATIVE TEXT.
SAID SWISS ARE NOT MEMBERS OF UNESCO WORKING GROUP
ON DRAFT DECLARATION; PRESUMED US IS REPRESENTED ON
WG. BELIEVED FINAL VERSION IS PRESENTLY BEFORE
DG M'BOW. WOULD WELCOME RECEIPT OF LATEST DRAFT TEXT
WITH US SUGGESTED ALTERNATIVE LANGUAGE AND LEGAL ANALYSIS.

4. STAUFFER SAID THERE IS ANOTHER SCHOOL OF THOUGHT
MAKING ROUNDS THAT DRAFT DECLARATION MIGHT NOT COME
UP FOR DEBATE IN GC. THAT VIEW SUGGESTS COMMITTEE
ON INFORMATION SHOULD AWAIT OUTCOME OF WORK ON
SIMILAR ISSUE BY COMMITTEE ON COMMUNICATION HEADED
BY SHEAN MCBRIDE.

5. STAUFFER SAID M'BOW WILL MEET FED COUNCILOR
AUBERT (FONMIN) IN BERN MAR 29 AND 30. DRAFT MASS MEDIA
PRINCIPLES DECLARATION IS ONE OF MAIN TOPICS AUBERT
PLANS TO RAISE WITH M'BOW.
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